

Medical Officer's Report for the Yoar ending December 31st, 1917.

In accordance with the memorandum issued by the Local Government. Board, and in view of the present circumstances, this report has again been curtailed.

#### BIRTHS.

The total number of Births registered in the District during the year was 70, of which 30 were Males and 40 were Females. This number shows a decrease of 2 as compared with the year 1916, and is equal to a rate of 14.4 per 1000 of the population.

The birth rate for 1916 was 14.4.

The birth rate for the whole of England and Wales for 1917 is 17 8.

### DEATHS.

The total number of deaths assignable to the District was 70, 26 M les and 44 Females. This number shows a decrease of 10 as co pared with the year 1916 and is equal to a rate of 16.1 per 1000 of the population.

The death rate for :1916 was 17.4.

The death rate for the whole of England and Wales for 1917 is 14.4.

### INFANTILE MORTALITY.

There were 8 deaths under 12 months of age as compared with 11 in 1916, giving a rate of 114.3 per 1000 births registered.

The rate of Infantile Mortality for the whole of England and Wales was 97.

The following are the causes of death under 12 months of age:-

Premature Birth. Convulsions.	3.)	of these,,5 occurred in the Lower Ward, 2 in the Higher
Marasmus. Congenital Heart Disease.	1. )	
Rickets.	1.)	

#### Prevalence of and control over Infectious Diseases.

Total number of cases reported 62, as compared with 82 in 1916.

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Measles.	57.

The following table shows the distribution of Measles over the 12 months of the year:

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of the 57 cases 30 occurred in the Lower Ward and 27 in the Higher Ward.



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7 Cases of Tuberculosis (under Tuberculosis Regulations 1912.) were notified during 1917, as compared with 12 in 1916. Of these 6 were Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 1 Tuberculosis of other parts.

There is no Sanatorium or Hospital for Infectious Diseases in the district.

There have been 3 deaths from Tuberculosis during 1917 as compared with 15 in 1916. Of these 2 were from Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 1 Tuberculosis of other parts.

(Signed) E. MARTIN, M.B. B.S. Medical Officer of Health,

3rd May, 1918.

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